Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 VIENTI 04718 291444 Z

5

ACTION EA-14

INFO OCT-01 EUR-25 NEA-10 ADP-00 INRE-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00

PM-07 NSC-10 SS-15 RSC-01 INR-10 AID-20 PA-03 PRS-01

L-03 H-02 IO-13 DPW-01 RSR-01 /137 W

----- 085961

OR 291145 Z JUN 73

FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4778

DIA WASHDC IMMEDIATE

CIA WASHDC IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH

AMEMBASSY SAIGON

AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

AMCONSUL UDORN

USDEL JEC PARIS

USIA WASHDC

SECDEF

USDAO SAIGON

DIRNSA FT GG MEADE MD

CINCPAC

CINCUSARPAC

COMUSMACTHAI

DEPCHJUSMAGTHAI

CINCPACFLT

CINCPACAF

CDR USSAG NKP

CDR 13 AF ADVON UDORN

388 TFW KORAT

DODSPECREP BANGKOK

DODSPECREP NKP

CHSPECACTS BANGKOK

7 ACCS KORTAT

354 TFW KORAT RTAFB

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 VIENTI 04718 291444 Z

56 SOW NKP
432 TRW UDORN
CDR JCRC NKP
8 TFW UBON
ARMA/ AIRA VTN LAOS
ARMA/ AIRA SVKT LAOS

CONFIDENTIAL VIENTIANE 4718

CINCPAC ALSO FOR POLAD; 13 AF ADVON, 432 TFW, 56 SOW, 388 TFW, 354 TFW AND 8 TFW FOR DO/ DI; MACHTHAI FOR J-2 AND PAO.

E. O. 1152: GDS

TAGS: MOPS, PINS, PINT, PFOR, LA

SUBJ: LAO SITUATION REPORT - 29 JUNE 1973

REF: VIENTIANE 4612

I. MILITARY SITUATION

A. MR III: ONE MAJOR INCIDENT OCCURRED AFTERNOON 27
JUNE (0700 Z), WHEN ESTIMATED ENEMY BATTALION, SUPPORTED
BY REPORTED 500 ROUNDS MORTAR/ RECOILLESS FIRE, ATTACKED
TWO FRIENDLY COMPANIES SOME 20 KM EAST OF THAKHEK AT
VE 992306. FRIENDS WITHDREW SLIGHTLY SOUTHWEST AND
REPORTED KILLING 2 ENEMY AND WOUNDING 6 WHILE SUFFERING
6 WIA. ANOTHER MAJOR INCIDENT OCCURRED THAT EVENING
(1500 Z), WHEN ENEMY FIRED APPROX 100 MORTAR ROUNDS AT
SAME FREINDLY POSITION (NO CASUALTIES). NEXT DAY FRIENDS

WERE SUBJECTED TO MINOR OCCASIONAL SHELLING WITHOUT CASUALTIES. FARTHER SOUTH, ONE MINOR CLASH OCCURRED WELL EAST OF KENGKOK ON 26 JUNE (NO CASUALTIES). IN ONLY COMBAT AIR ACTIVITY IN COUNTRY, RLAF FLEW 6 T-28 AND ONE AC-47 GUNSHIP SORTIES, ALL AGAINST ENEMY POSITIONS EAST OF THAKHEK (ONE MORTAR DAMAGED).

B. MR IV: THERE WERE 3 MINOR FIREFIGHTS NORTHWEST, NORTHEAST AND SOUTHEAST OF KHONG SEDONE ON 26 AND 27 JUNE. THERE WERE NO ENEMY CASUALTIES, BUT FRIENDS LOST 5 SOLDIERS AND 3 VILLAGERS KIA, ONE SOLDIER AND ONE VILLAGER WIA, PLUS CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 VIENTI 04718 291444 Z

3 SOLDIERS MIA.

C. MR'S I, II AND V: NO GROUND ACTION REPORTED DURING PERIOD 26-28 JUNE.

IIM POLITICAL SITUATION

A. ACCORDING TO BRITISH EMBASSY OFFICER, RLG AND LPF NEGOTIATIORS PHENG AND PHOUMI MET AGAIN JUNE 28 AND ENGAGED

IN SERIOUS DISCUSSIONS, WHICH WERE MARKED BY MORE CONCILIATORY ATTITUDE ON BOTH SIDES.

B. VIETNAM NEWS AGENCY (VNA) CARRIED ITEM JUNE 28
REPORTING TEN- DAY VISIT OF LPF MEDICAL DELEGATION TO NORTH
VIETNAM. ACCORDING TO VNA, AN AGREEMENT ON MEDICAL
COOPERATION WAS CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE DRV MINISTRY OF
HEALTH AND THE LPF CENTRAL MEDICAL COMMITTEE FOR 1973-75.
THIS FOLLOWS EARLIER AGREEMENTS ON ROAD CONSTRUCTION
AND FOOD PRODUCTION.

C. DURING PAST WEEK, LPF DELEGATION PEREGRINATED THROUGH WARSAW, PRAGUE, MOSCOW, FINALLY ARRIVING IN ULAN BATOR ON JUNE 27. IT APPEARS THAT AFTER 11 WEEKS' TRAVEL, THEY ARE FINALLY ON THEIR WAY HOME TO SAM NEUA. DEAN

CONFIDENTIAL

NNNMAFVVZCZ

*** Current Handling Restrictions *** n/a

*** Current Classification *** CONFIDENTIAL

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994 Channel Indicators: n/a

Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Concepts:

Control Number: n/a Copy: SINGLE Draft Date: 29 JUN 1973 Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960 Decaption Note: Disposition Action: RELEASED Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: elyme
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1973VIENTI04718

Document Number: 1973VIENTI04718 Document Source: CORE Document Unique ID: 00

Drafter: n/a Enclosure: n/a Executive Order: GDS Errors: n/a Film Number: n/a From: VIENTIANE Handling Restrictions: n/a

Image Path:

Legacy Key: link1973/newtext/t19730632/aaaajskf.tel Line Count: 134 Locator: TEXT ON-LINE Office: ACTION EA

Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL Original Handling Restrictions: n/a Original Previous Classification: n/a

Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a

Page Count: 3

Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a Reference: 73 VIENTIANE 4612 Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED Review Authority: elyme

Review Comment: n/a Review Content Flags: Review Date: 21 AUG 2001

Review Event:

Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <21-Aug-2001 by kelleyw0>; APPROVED <19-Oct-2001 by elyme>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier: Review Referrals: n/a Review Release Date: n/a Review Release Event: n/a **Review Transfer Date:** Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a

Secure: OPEN

Status: <DBA CORRECTED> jms 980304 Subject: LAO SITUATION REPORT - 29 JUNE 1973 TAGS: MOPS, PFOR, PINS, PINT, LA

To: BANGKOK CIA WASHDC DIA WASHDC MOSCOW

PARIS PHNOM PENH

SAIGON SECSTATE WASHDC Type: TE Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005